

**BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE**

**IN RE: KARTHIK RAMAKRISHNAN, M.D.**

**CONSENT ORDER**

The West Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and Karthik Ramakrishnan, M.D. ("Dr. Ramakrishnan"), freely and voluntarily enter into the following Consent Order pursuant to the provisions of W. Va. Code § 30-3-14, *et seq.*:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. In November 2008, Dr. Ramakrishnan applied for a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia, and in the course of submitting documents in support of such licensure, it became evident that Dr. Ramakrishnan had not provided completely accurate information on his license application to the West Virginia Board of Medicine and also on an earlier license application to the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners.

2. Dr. Ramakrishnan appeared before the Licensure Committee of the Board for a full discussion of this matter.

3. Dr. Ramakrishnan meets the requirements for licensure under the West Virginia Medical Practice Act, but for him to receive licensure without an appropriate condition and limitation upon his license, under all the circumstances of this case, could adversely affect the health and welfare of patients.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Probable cause exists to deny Dr. Ramakrishnan a license to practice medicine and surgery in this State due to the provisions of W.Va. Code §30-3-14(c)(17) and 11 CSR 1A 12.1(a), relating to presenting a false statement in connection with an application for a license.

2. The Board determined that under all the circumstances, it is appropriate to grant Dr. Ramakrishnan a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia, provided he agrees to this action against his license.

## CONSENT

Karthik Ramakrishnan, M.D., by affixing his signature hereon, agrees solely and exclusively for purposes of this agreement and the entry of the Order provided for and stated herein, and the proceedings conducted in accordance with this Order, to the following:

1. Dr. Ramakrishnan acknowledges that he is fully aware that, without his consent here given, no permanent legal action may be taken against him except after a hearing held in accordance with W. Va. Code § 30-3-14 (h) and W. Va. Code § 29A-5-1, *et seq.*

2. Dr. Ramakrishnan further acknowledges that he has the following rights, among others: the right to a formal hearing before the West Virginia Board of Medicine, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against him.

3. Dr. Ramakrishnan waives all rights to such a hearing.

4. Dr. Ramakrishnan consents to the entry of this Order relative to his practice of medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia.

5. Dr. Ramakrishnan understands that this Order is considered public information and that matters contained herein may be reported, as required by law, to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.

### **ORDER**


**WHEREFORE**, on the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board, and on the basis of the consent of Dr. Ramakrishnan, the West Virginia Board of Medicine hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

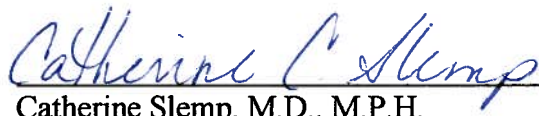
1. Dr. Ramakrishnan has met the requirements for the issuance of a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia and is granted a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia, License Number 23744, effective upon entry of this Consent Order.

2. Dr. Ramakrishnan is PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED for providing inaccurate information to the Board on his licensure applications to the West Virginia Board of Medicine and earlier to the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners.

The foregoing Order was entered this 15th day of July, 2009.

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

  
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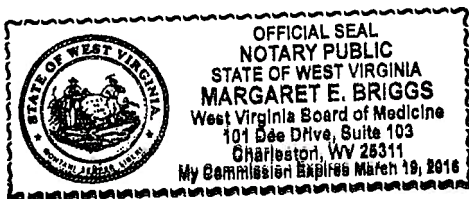
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF KANAWHA

I, MARGARET E. BRIGGS, a Notary Public in and for said county and state do hereby certify that Karthik Ramakrishnan, M.D., whose name is signed on <sup>this</sup> ~~the~~ ~~previous~~ page, has this day acknowledged the same before me.

Given under my hand this 13th day of July, 2009.

My commission expires March 19, 2016.



*Margaret E Briggs*  
Notary Public